

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 135

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Jack and Imogene Fitts on the occasion of their seventieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, Charles Raymond "Jack" Fitts and Imogene Valentine Bulliner were joined in holy matrimony at First Methodist Church in Henderson on September 15, 1946, and since that fateful day, this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Fitts are highly respected citizens of Chester County; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, born on October 7, 1924, to John Raymond Fitts and Lorada Deberry Fitts, Jack Fitts graduated from high school in 1942; after graduation, he worked in Mobile, Alabama, as an electric welder in a shipyard; he was later employed by Home Federal Savings and Loan and embarked upon a well-deserved retirement in 1985; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fitts served honorably in the United States Army from April 1943 to January 1946. He also served in the Tennessee National Guard until his retirement from service in 1985; and

WHEREAS, Imogene Fitts was born on February 14, 1927, to Walter and Mary Elizabeth Wamble Bulliner and graduated from high school in 1944; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Fitts retired in 1987 after rendering many years of exemplary service as a secretary and as a nurse at East Chester and Henderson Clinic; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage produced one daughter, Candice "Candy" Kay Grant; one grandson, Charles Peyton Frank; and three great-grandchildren, Sydney, Hannah, and Elliot; and

WHEREAS, for seventy years, this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Fittses' truly represent the best and brightest of our society, as they remind us of the intrinsic value of continuity and commitment in this ever-changing world; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Jack and Imogene Fitts on the occasion of their seventieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.